

# 2018/19 SEASON

ROUND 2 PREVIEW



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# **Fixtures**

#### Round 2

| Date       | Time  | Pool | Home              | Away             | Venue                  | Referee                 |
|------------|-------|------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 19/10/2018 | 19:45 | 4    | Leicester Tigers  | Scarlets         | Welford Road           | Romain Poite (France)   |
| 20/10/2018 | 13:00 | 2    | Castres Olympique | Exeter Chiefs    | Stade Pierre-Fabre     | John Lacey (Ireland)    |
| 20/10/2018 | 13:00 | 2    | Munster Rugby     | Gloucester Rugby | Thomond Park           | Alexandre Ruiz (France) |
| 20/10/2018 | 15:15 | 5    | Edinburgh Rugby   | RC Toulon        | BT Murrayfield         | JP Doyle (England)      |
| 20/10/2018 | 15:15 | 1    | Wasps             | Bath Rugby       | Ricoh Arena            | Jérome Garcès (France)  |
| 20/10/2018 | 17:30 | 4    | Racing 92         | Ulster Rugby     | Paris La Défense Arena | Nigel Owens (Wales)     |
| 20/10/2018 | 17:30 | 3    | Saracens          | Lyon             | Allianz Park           | George Clancy (Ireland) |
| 21/10/2018 | 13:00 | 5    | Newcastle Falcons | Montpellier      | Kingston Park          | Mike Adamson (Scotland) |
| 21/10/2018 | 15:15 | 1    | Toulouse          | Leinster Rugby   | Stade Ernest Wallon    | Wayne Barnes (England)  |
| 21/10/2018 | 15:15 | 3    | Cardiff Blues     | Glasgow Warriors | Cardiff Arms Park      | Luke Pearce (England)   |

### **EPCR** weekends

Round 2: 19/20/21 October Round 3: 7/8/9 December Round 4: 14/15/16 December Round 5: 11/12/13 January 2019 Round 6: 18/19/20 January 2019 Quarter-finals: 29/30/31 March 2019 Semi-finals: 19/20/21 April 2019

#### 2019 Newcastle finals

Challenge Cup final – St James' Park; Friday, 10 May 2019

Heineken Champions Cup final – St James' Park; Saturday, 11 May 2019

2020 finals – Stade de Marseille (22/23 May 2020)





# Pools

### Pool 1

| Pos | Team           | Pl | W | D | L | PF | PA | Diff | TF | TA | TB | LB | Pts |
|-----|----------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1   | Leinster Rugby | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 3  | 49   | 8  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 5   |
| 2   | Toulouse       | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 20 | 2    | 3  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 3   | Bath Rugby     | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 20 | 22 | -2   | 2  | 3  | 0  | 1  | 1   |
| 4   | Wasps          | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3  | 52 | -49  | 0  | 8  | 0  | 0  | 0   |

# Pool 2

| Pos | Team              | Pl | W | D | L | PF | PA | Diff | TF | TA | ТВ | LB | Pts |
|-----|-------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1   | Gloucester Rugby  | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 14 | 5    | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 2   | Exeter Chiefs     | 1  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0    | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 2   |
| 3   | Munster Rugby     | 1  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0    | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 2   |
| 4   | Castres Olympique | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 19 | -5   | 1  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 1   |

### Pool 3

| Pos | Team             | Pl | W | D | L | PF | PA | Diff | TF | TA | TB | LB | Pts |
|-----|------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1   | Saracens         | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 3  | 10   | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 2   | Cardiff Blues    | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 21 | 9    | 3  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 3   | Lyon             | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 30 | -9   | 2  | 3  | 0  | 0  | 0   |
| 4   | Glasgow Warriors | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3  | 13 | -10  | 0  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0   |

# Pool 4

| Pos | Team             | Pl | W | D | L | PF | PA | Diff | TF | TA | TB | LB | Pts |
|-----|------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1   | Ulster Rugby     | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 10 | 14   | 3  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 2   | Racing 92        | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 13 | 1    | 2  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 3   | Scarlets         | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 14 | -1   | 2  | 2  | 0  | 1  | 1   |
| 4   | Leicester Tigers | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 24 | -14  | 1  | 3  | 0  | 0  | 0   |

# Pool 5

| Pos | Team              | Pl | W | D | L | PF | PA | Diff | TF | TA | TB | LB | Pts |
|-----|-------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 1   | Montpellier       | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 15 | 6    | 3  | 2  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 2   | Newcastle Falcons | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 25 | 1    | 2  | 3  | 0  | 0  | 4   |
| 3   | RC Toulon         | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 25 | 26 | -1   | 3  | 2  | 0  | 1  | 1   |
| 4   | Edinburgh Rugby   | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 15 | 21 | -6   | 2  | 3  | 0  | 1  | 1   |





### Pool 4: Leicester Tigers v Scarlets

Friday, 19 October, Kick-off: 19:45, Welford Road Referee: Romain Poite (Fra), Assistant Ref: Vincent Blasco (Fra), Assistant Ref: Stephane Boyer (Fra), TMO: Denis Grenouillet (Fra), Citing Commissioner: Tim Lowry (Ire)

#### Match facts

- This will be the 10<sup>th</sup> clash between Leicester and Scarlets. The Welsh region have won just twice before against Tigers (L7) and have lost on all four occasions at Welford Road.
- Last season Leicester lost two of their three home games in the pool stage for the first time in their European Cup history, however, they are unbeaten at home against Welsh opposition (W12, D1).
- Scarlets picked up 11 out of a possible 15 points from their three away games in the pool stage last season, their best return since 2006/07.
- Tigers have now lost five consecutive matches their worst tournament run.
- Leicester conceded more penalties (15) than any other side in Round 1.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Leicester Tigers                    | Scarlets                          |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Played               | 151                                 | 144                               |
| Wins                 | 93                                  | 67                                |
| Draws                | 5                                   | 3                                 |
| Losses               | 53                                  | 74                                |
| Total Points For     | 3877                                | 3197                              |
| Total Points Against | 2834                                | 3451                              |
| Biggest Win          | 71 (v Glasgow Warriors, 1/11/1997)  | 79 (v Rugby Calvisano, 3/11/2001) |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -43 (v Glasgow Warriors, 21/1/2017) | -50 (@ Racing 92, 17/1/2016)      |

#### Head-to-head record

| Leicester Tigers |        | Scarlets |
|------------------|--------|----------|
| 9                | Played | 9        |
| 7                | Wins   | 2        |
| 2                | Losses | 7        |
| 0                | Draws  | 0        |

| Date       | Home             | Score | Away             |
|------------|------------------|-------|------------------|
| 15/01/2011 | Scarlets         | 18-32 | Leicester Tigers |
| 25/10/2014 | Scarlets         | 15-3  | Leicester Tigers |
| 16/01/2015 | Leicester Tigers | 40-23 | Scarlets         |

| Leicester Tigers | Points |
|------------------|--------|
| George Ford      | 5      |
| Manu Tuilagi     | 5      |

| Scarlets         | Points |
|------------------|--------|
| Gareth Davies    | 5      |
| Johnny McNicholl | 5      |
| Leigh Halfpenny  | 3      |





# Pool 2: Castres Olympique v Exeter Chiefs

Saturday, 20 October, Kick-off: 13:00, Stade Pierre-Fabre Referee: John Lacey (Ire), Assistant Ref: Andrew Brace (Ire), Assistant Ref: Kieran Barry (Ire), TMO: Simon McDowell (Ire), Citing Commissioner: Maurizio Vancini (Ita)

#### Match facts

- This will be the first meeting between Castres and Exeter as the Chiefs try to halt the TOP 14 club's six-game unbeaten run (W4, D2) at home.
- In their last two home games against Gallagher Premiership opposition, Castres have scored an aggregate of 80 points and conceded just seven, beating Leicester 39-0 in their last such match.
- Exeter have won two of their last three away matches against TOP 14 clubs, this after losing each of their first four games in France in the competition.
- Exeter lost six line outs against Munster, more than any other side in the opening round.
- Castres' tally of just six defenders beaten against Gloucester was the lowest of any side in Round 1.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Castres Olympique                | Exeter Chiefs                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Played               | 83                               | 32                                       |
| Wins                 | 29                               | 12                                       |
| Draws                | 3                                | 1  |
| Losses               | 51                               | 19                                       |
| Total Points For     | 1574                             | 641                                      |
| Total Points Against | 1972                             | 738                                      |
| Biggest Win          | 45 (v Harlequins, 8/1/2005)      | 31 (v Montpellier, 13/1/2018)            |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -45 (@ Munster Rugby, 21/1/2018) | -43 (@ ASM Clermont Auvergne, 12/1/2013) |

#### Head-to-head record

First meeting in the tournament

| Castres Olympique | Points |
|-------------------|--------|
| Julien Dumora     | 9      |
| Martin Laveau     | 5      |

| Exeter Chiefs     | Points |
|-------------------|--------|
| Gareth Steenson   | 5      |
| Luke Cowan-Dickie | 5      |





# Pool 2: Munster Rugby v Gloucester Rugby

Saturday, 20 October, Kick-off: 13:00, Thomond Park

Referee: Alexandre Ruiz (Fra), Assistant Ref: Maxime Chalon (Fra), Assistant Ref: Luc Ramos (Fra), TMO:

Philippe Bonhoure (Fra), Citing Commissioner: Stefano Marrama (Ita)

#### Match facts

- Saturday will be the eighth tournament meeting between Munster and Gloucester. The Irish province have won five of the previous seven encounters including each of the last four.
- Munster are on a nine-game winning run at home, their best in the competition since a 17-game sequence between 2007/08 and 2011/12.
- Gloucester have picked up two wins from their last three visits to Ireland, beating Ulster and Connacht but losing to Munster in Round 2 of the 2013/14 season.
- Gloucester missed just six tackles in the win over Castres in Round 1, and their 95% tackle success rate was the best of all 20 clubs.
- Munster stole five opposition line outs in Round 1, two more than any other side managed over the opening weekend.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Munster Rugby               | Gloucester Rugby           |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Played               | 167                         | 65                         |
| Wins                 | 114                         | 39                         |
| Draws                | 3                           | 1                          |
| Losses               | 50                          | 25                         |
| Total Points For     | 4182                        | 1664                       |
| Total Points Against | 2904                        | 1343                       |
| Biggest Win          | 64 (v Viadana, 6/12/2002)   | 52 (@ Viadana, 18/10/2002) |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -41 (@ Toulouse, 2/11/1996) | -31 (@ Wasps, 11/4/2004)   |

#### Head-to-head record

| Munster Rugby |        | Gloucester Rugby |
|---------------|--------|------------------|
| 7             | Played | 7                |
| 5             | Wins   | 2                |
| 2             | Losses | 5                |
| 0             | Draws  | 0                |

| Date       | Home             | Score | Away             |
|------------|------------------|-------|------------------|
| 05/04/2008 | Gloucester Rugby | 3-16  | Munster Rugby    |
| 19/10/2013 | Munster Rugby    | 26-10 | Gloucester Rugby |
| 11/01/2014 | Gloucester Rugby | 7-20  | Munster Rugby    |

| Munster Rugby | Points |
|---------------|--------|
| CJ Stander    | 5      |
| Joey Carbery  | 5      |

| Gloucester Rugby | Points |
|------------------|--------|
| Danny Cipriani   | 14     |
| Callum Braley    | 5      |





# Pool 5: Edinburgh Rugby v RC Toulon

Saturday, 20 October, Kick-off: 15:15, BT Murrayfield Referee: JP Doyle (Eng), Assistant Ref: Ian Tempest (Eng), Assistant Ref: Simon McConnell (Eng), TMO: David Grashoff (Eng), Citing Commissioner: Andy Blyth (Eng)

#### Match facts

- Edinburgh and RC Toulon have never met before, and this will be Toulon's second trip to Scotland having beaten Glasgow in Round 6 in 2013/14.
- Edinburgh have lost four of their last six home games (W2), scoring an average of 15 points per match.
- Toulon have lost six of their last seven away games, however, five of those six defeats have been by seven points or fewer.
- Edinburgh totalled 33 defenders beaten in Round 1, the most of any side and more than twice as many as Toulon (16).
- Toulon picked up three yellow cards in their defeat to Newcastle in Round 1, no other side received more than one.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Edinburgh Rugby              | RC Toulon                         |
|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Played               | 104                          | 56                                |
| Wins                 | 37                           | 40                                |
| Draws                | 3                            | 0                                 |
| Losses               | 64                           | 16                                |
| Total Points For     | 1853                         | 1367                              |
| Total Points Against | 2639                         | 984                               |
| Biggest Win          | 27 (@ Ebbw Vale, 17/10/1998) | 62 (v Sale Sharks, 16/12/2012)    |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -57 (@ Dax, 20/10/1996)      | -27 (@ Munster Rugby, 16/10/2010) |

#### Head-to-head record

First meeting in the tournament

| Edinburgh Rugby | Points |
|-----------------|--------|
| Dougie Fife     | 5      |
| Simon Hickey    | 5      |
| Stuart McInally | 5      |

| RC Toulon          | Points |
|--------------------|--------|
| Francois Trinh-Duc | 10     |
| Guilhem Guirado    | 5      |
| Raphael Lakafia    | 5      |
| Romain Taofifenua  | 5      |





# Pool 1: Wasps v Bath Rugby

Saturday, 20 October, Kick-off: 15:15, Ricoh Arena

Referee: Jérome Garcès (Fra), Assistant Ref: Laurent Cardona (Fra), Assistant Ref: Jean-Luc Rebollal (Fra),

TMO: Eric Briquet-Campin (Fra), Citing Commissioner: Jeff Mark (Wal)

#### Match facts

- Wasps and Bath have met twice before in the tournamente, both picking up away wins against the other in the 2015/16 pool stage.
- Since Bath's victory at the Ricoh in December 2015, Wasps have won all eight of their home games in the competition.
- Wasps took 14 of a possible 15 points from their three home games in the pool stage last season, scoring 88 points and conceding just 20.
- Wasps' Tommy Taylor made a round high 26 tackles las weekend, whilst team mate Will Rowlands made 23 without missing any.
- Wasps' Thomas Young won a round high five turnovers.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Wasps                               | Bath Rugby                           |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Played               | 107                                 | 92                                   |
| Wins                 | 66                                  | 53                                   |
| Draws                | 3                                   | 1                                    |
| Losses               | 38                                  | 38                                   |
| Total Points For     | 3009                                | 2081                                 |
| Total Points Against | 2124                                | 1701                                 |
| Biggest Win          | 68 (v Zebre Rugby Club, 15/10/2016) | 41 (v Petrarca Rugby, 8/1/2000)      |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -49 (@ Leinster Rugby, 12/10/2018)  | -27 (@ Glasgow Warriors, 18/10/2014) |

#### Head-to-head record

| Wasps |        | Bath Rugby |
|-------|--------|------------|
| 2     | Played | 2          |
| 1     | Wins   | 1          |
| 1     | Losses | 1          |
| 0     | Draws  | 0          |

| Date       | Home       | Score | Away       |
|------------|------------|-------|------------|
| 13/12/2015 | Wasps      | 23-25 | Bath Rugby |
| 19/12/2015 | Bath Rugby | 10-36 | Wasps      |
|            |            |       |            |

| Wasps        | Points |
|--------------|--------|
| Lima Sopoaga | 3      |

| Bath Rugby    | Points |
|---------------|--------|
| Freddie Burns | 15     |
| Jamie Roberts | 5      |





# Pool 4: Racing 92 v Ulster Rugby

Saturday, 20 October, Kick-off: 17:30, Paris La Défense Arena Referee: Nigel Owens (Wal), Assistant Ref: Dan Jones (Wal), Assistant Ref: Wayne Davies (Wal), TMO: Ian Davies (Wal), Citing Commissioner: Shaun Gallagher (Eng)

#### Match facts

- Racing 92 and Ulster have never met before, and Racing will be the 14<sup>th</sup> French club that Ulster have faced in Europe's top flight.
- Racing are enjoying a five-game winning streak at home, their best run, averaging 29 points scored per match in that time.
- Ulster have lost six of their last seven away games (W1) including three on French soil.
- Racing were one of just two sides to have a 100% success rate at both the line out and scrum in Round 1 (also Lyon).
- Heineken Man of the Match Finn Russell made four offloads in Round 1, no player made more. The Scot also beat four defenders and made 77 metres.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | •                               |                                  |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                      | Racing 92                       | Ulster Rugby                     |
| Played               | 56                              | 142                              |
| Wins                 | 26                              | 71                               |
| Draws                | 3                               | 3                                |
| Losses               | 27                              | 68                               |
| Total Points For     | 1131                            | 3045                             |
| Total Points Against | 1103                            | 3086                             |
| Biggest Win          | 50 (v Scarlets, 17/1/2016)      | 56 (v Benetton Rugby, 11/1/2002) |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -25 (v Munster Rugby, 7/1/2017) | -53 (@ Wasps, 21/9/1997)         |

#### Head-to-head record

First meeting in the tournament

| Racing 92           | Points |
|---------------------|--------|
| Baptiste Chouzenoux | 5      |
| Finn Russell        | 2      |

| Ulster Rugby    | Points |
|-----------------|--------|
| John Cooney     | 9      |
| Alan O'Connor   | 5      |
| Jacob Stockdale | 5      |
| Will Addison    | 5      |



# Pool 3: Saracens v Lyon

Saturday, 20 October, Kick-off: 17:30, Allianz Park Referee: George Clancy (Ire), Assistant Ref: Stuart Gaffikin (Ire), Assistant Ref: Paul Haycock (Ire), TMO: Brian McNeice (Ire), Citing Commissioner: Peter Ferguson (Ire)

#### Match facts

- Saracens and Lyon have never met before, but the TOP 14 side won five of their eight games against Gallagher Premiership opposition in the Challenge Cup.
- Saracens have won 15 of their last 16 home games with Clermont's 46-16 success last season the exception. Each of their most recent five home defeats have come against TOP 14 opponents.
- This will be Lyon's first away game in the Heineken Champions Cup. They lost three of four visits to England in the Challenge Cup, with a win against London Welsh in 2014/15 the one victory.
- Lyon were one of just two sides to have a 100% success rate at both the line out and scrum in Round 1 (also Racing 92).
- Saracens won all 14 of their own line outs against Glasgow, no other side won as many without losing at least one in Round 1.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Saracens                                  | Lyon                             |
|----------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| Played               | 90  | 1                                |
| Wins                 | 61  | 0                                |
| Draws                | 2   | 0                                |
| Losses               | 27  | 1                                |
| Total Points For     | 2480                                      | 21                               |
| Total Points Against | 1637                                      | 30                               |
| Biggest Win          | 64 (v Viadana, 8/12/2007)                 | N/A                              |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -32 (v ASM Clermont Auvergne, 11/12/2017) | -9 (v Cardiff Blues, 14/10/2018) |

#### Head-to-head record

First meeting in the tournament

| Saracens       | Points |
|----------------|--------|
| Owen Farrell   | 8      |
| Michael Rhodes | 5      |

| Lyon                 | Points |
|----------------------|--------|
| Lionel Beauxis       | 11     |
| Loann Goujon         | 5      |
| Pierre-Louis Barassi | 5      |



# Pool 5: Newcastle Falcons v Montpellier

Sunday, 21 October, Kick-off: 13:00, Kingston Park

Referee: Mike Adamson (Sco), Assistant Ref: Marius Mitreas (Ita), Assistant Ref: David Sutherland (Sco),

TMO: Andrew McMenemy (Sco), Citing Commissioner: Eugene Ryan

#### Match facts

- Newcastle and Montpellier have never met in the competition before, however, they did face off in the pool stage of the 2010/11 Challenge Cup, the TOP 14 side winning both games.
- Falcons have won four of their previous six (L2) home games in the European Cup, including two wins from two against TOP 14 opposition.
- Montpellier have lost 10 of their last 11 away games in the Champions Cup, including a 10-41 loss to Exeter in their most recent such game.
- Montpellier missed 33 tackles against Edinburgh, the most of any side in Round 1.
- Newcastle's Glen Young won nine line outs in Round 1, two more than any other player in the opening weekend.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Newcastle Falcons                      | Montpellier                       |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Played               | 14                                     | 38                                |
| Wins                 | 7                                      | 15                                |
| Draws                | 0                                      | 2                                 |
| Losses               | 7                                      | 21                                |
| Total Points For     | 264                                    | 748                               |
| Total Points Against | 351                                    | 862                               |
| Biggest Win          | 33 (v Toulouse, 3/11/2001)             | 21 (@ Sale Sharks, 11/1/2013)     |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -40 (@ Stade Francais Paris, 2/4/2005) | -54 (@ Leinster Rugby, 13/1/2017) |

#### Head-to-head record

First meeting in the tournament

| Newcastle Falcons | Points |
|-------------------|--------|
| Joel Hodgson      | 14     |
| Kyle Cooper       | 5      |

| Montpellier      | Points |
|------------------|--------|
| Ruan Pienaar     | 6      |
| Benjamin Fall    | 5      |
| Gabriel Ngandebe | 5      |
| Henry Immelman   | 5      |





### Pool 1: Toulouse v Leinster Rugby

Sunday, 21 October, Kick-off: 15:15, Stade Ernest Wallon Referee: Wayne Barnes (Eng), Assistant Ref: Matthew O'Grady (Eng), Assistant Ref: Paul Dix (Eng), TMO: Rowan Kitt (Eng), Citing Commissioner: John Byett (Eng)

#### Match facts

- This will be the 10<sup>th</sup> tournament meeting between Toulouse and Leinster and the first in over seven years since their semi-final clash in 2011 which Leinster won 32-23.
- Overall, Toulouse have won five of their nine previous matches (L4), including three of their four home fixtures (L1).
- Leinster are unbeaten in five consecutive away pool games, and they've never gone six away games without suffering a defeat.
- Three of the top five ball carriers in Round 1 were Leinster players; Garry Ringrose topped the charts with 21 whilst Jack Conan and Robbie Henshaw made 19 each.
- Toulouse made 20 offloads in Round 1, only three other teams reached double figures in this category and none made more than 15. Individually no one made more than Maxime Médard, Sofiane Guitoune and Joe Tekori (4 each).

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

|                      | Toulouse                    | Leinster Rugby             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Played               | 158                         | 160                        |
| Wins                 | 106                         | 107                        |
| Draws                | 5                           | 5                          |
| Losses               | 47                          | 48                         |
| Total Points For     | 4232                        | 4114                       |
| Total Points Against | 2956                        | 3000                       |
| Biggest Win          | 92 (v Ebbw Vale, 19/9/1998) | 75 (v Bourgoin, 4/12/2004) |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -60 (@ Wasps, 26/10/1996)   | -41 (@ Wasps, 23/1/2016)   |

#### Head-to-head record

| Toulouse |        | Leinster Rugby |
|----------|--------|----------------|
| 9        | Played | 9              |
| 5        | Wins   | 4              |
| 4        | Losses | 5              |
| 0        | Draws  | 0              |

| Date       | Home           | Score | Away           |
|------------|----------------|-------|----------------|
| 12/01/2008 | Leinster Rugby | 20-13 | Toulouse       |
| 01/05/2010 | Toulouse       | 26-16 | Leinster Rugby |
| 30/04/2011 | Leinster Rugby | 32-23 | Toulouse       |

| Toulouse         | Points |
|------------------|--------|
| Sofiane Guitoune | 10     |
| Thomas Ramos     | 7      |
| Maxime Médard    | 5      |

| Leinster Rugby | Points |
|----------------|--------|
| James Lowe     | 10     |
| Johnny Sexton  | 10     |
| Luke McGrath   | 10     |





# Pool 3: Cardiff Blues v Glasgow Warriors

Sunday, 21 October, Kick-off: 15:15, Cardiff Arms Park

Referee: Luke Pearce (Eng), Assistant Ref: Matthew Carley (Eng), Assistant Ref: Jonathan Healy (Eng),

TMO: Graham Hughes (Eng), Citing Commissioner: Paul Hull (Eng)

#### Match facts

- Cardiff and Glasgow have met four times before in the pool stage of the 2001/02 and 2013/14 seasons, the Blues wining three of those four games including both at home.
- Cardiff have won 19 of their last 23 home ties in the European Cup, with only Gallagher Premiership (twice) or TOP 14 (twice) sides picking up away wins in that time.
- Glasgow lost all three of their pool stage away games last season, the first time they had done this since 2012/13.
- Tomos Williams made five breaks in Round 1, more than any other player whilst Willis Halaholo also made three breaks.
- Gareth Anscombe was the top points scorer in Round 1, notching 20 points after landing all of his kicks (3/3 conversions, 3/3 penalty goals) and scoring a spectacular solo try.

#### Team comparison (Tournament record)

| <u> </u>             | •   |                                     |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|                      | Cardiff Blues                                     | Glasgow Warriors                    |
| Played               | 115   | 117                                 |
| Wins                 | 58  | 39                                  |
| Draws                | 4   | 2                                   |
| Losses               | 53  | 76                                  |
| Total Points For     | 2602  | 2289                                |
| Total Points Against | 2617  | 3051                                |
| Biggest Win          | 42 (v Rugby Calvisano, 23/1/2009)                 | 43 (@ Leicester Tigers, 21/1/2017)  |
| Heaviest Defeat      | -50 (@ Biarritz Olympique Pays Basque, 18/1/2003) | -71 (@ Leicester Tigers, 1/11/1997) |

#### Head-to-head record

| Cardiff Blues |        | Glasgow Warriors |
|---------------|--------|------------------|
| 4             | Played | 4                |
| 3             | Wins   | 1                |
| 1             | Losses | 3                |
| 0             | Draws  | 0                |

| Date       | Home             | Score | Away             |
|------------|------------------|-------|------------------|
| 04/11/2001 | Glasgow Warriors | 47-32 | Cardiff Blues    |
| 06/12/2013 | Cardiff Blues    | 29-20 | Glasgow Warriors |
| 13/12/2013 | Glasgow Warriors | 7-9   | Cardiff Blues    |

| Cardiff Blues   | Points |
|-----------------|--------|
| Gareth Anscombe | 20     |
| Olly Robinson   | 5      |
| Tomos Williams  | 5      |

| Glasgow Warriors | Points |
|------------------|--------|
| Adam Hastings    | 3      |
|                  |        |





# 2018/19 Heineken Champions Cup - Leading Scorers

# Points

| Rank |                    |                   | Matches | Tries | Conversions | Pens | Drop Goals | Points |
|------|--------------------|-------------------|---------|-------|-------------|------|------------|--------|
| 1    | Gareth Anscombe    | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 1     | 3           | 3    | 0          | 20     |
| 2    | Freddie Burns      | Bath Rugby        | 1       | 1     | 2           | 2    | 0          | 15     |
| 3    | Danny Cipriani     | Gloucester Rugby  | 1       | 0     | 1           | 4    | 0          | 14     |
| 3    | Joel Hodgson       | Newcastle Falcons | 1       | 0     | 1           | 4    | 0          | 14     |
| 5    | Lionel Beauxis     | Lyon              | 1       | 0     | 1           | 3    | 0          | 11     |
| 6    | James Lowe         | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 2     | 0           | 0    | 0          | 10     |
| 6    | Luke McGrath       | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 2     | 0           | 0    | 0          | 10     |
| 6    | Sofiane Guitoune   | Toulouse          | 1       | 2     | 0           | 0    | 0          | 10     |
| 6    | Francois Trinh-Duc | RC Toulon         | 1       | 0     | 2           | 2    | 0          | 10     |
| 6    | Johnny Sexton      | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 0     | 5           | 0    | 0          | 10     |

# Tries

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|-------|----------------------|-------------------|---------|-------|
| Rank  |                      |                   | Matches | Tries |
| 1     | James Lowe           | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 2     |
| 1     | Luke McGrath         | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 2     |
| 1     | Sofiane Guitoune     | Toulouse          | 1       | 2     |
| 4     | Alan O'Connor        | Ulster Rugby      | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Baptiste Chouzenoux  | Racing 92         | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Benjamin Fall        | Montpellier       | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | CJ Stander           | Munster Rugby     | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Callum Braley        | Gloucester Rugby  | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Dougie Fife          | Edinburgh Rugby   | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Freddie Burns        | Bath Rugby        | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Gabriel Ngandebe     | Montpellier       | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Gareth Anscombe      | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Gareth Davies        | Scarlets          | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Guilhem Guirado      | RC Toulon         | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Henry Immelman       | Montpellier       | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Jack McGrath         | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Jacob Stockdale      | Ulster Rugby      | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Jamie Roberts        | Bath Rugby        | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Johnny McNicholl     | Scarlets          | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Jordan Larmour       | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Kyle Cooper          | Newcastle Falcons | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Loann Goujon         | Lyon              | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Luke Cowan-Dickie    | Exeter Chiefs     | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Manu Tuilagi         | Leicester Tigers  | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Martin Laveau        | Castres Olympique | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Maxime Médard        | Toulouse          | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Michael Rhodes       | Saracens          | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Olly Robinson        | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Pierre-Louis Barassi | Lyon              | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Raphael Lakafia      | RC Toulon         | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Robbie Henshaw       | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Romain Taofifenua    | RC Toulon         | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Sean Cronin          | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Stuart McInally      | Edinburgh Rugby   | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Tomos Williams       | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 1     |
| 4     | Will Addison         | Ulster Rugby      | 1       | 1     |
|       |                      |                   |         |       |





# 2018/19 Heineken Champions Cup – Top Performers

### Carries

| Rank |                  |                  | Matches | Carries |
|------|------------------|------------------|---------|---------|
| 1    | Garry Ringrose   | Leinster Rugby   | 1       | 21      |
| 2    | Viliame Mata     | Edinburgh Rugby  | 1       | 20      |
| 3    | Blair Kinghorn   | Edinburgh Rugby  | 1       | 19      |
| 3    | Jack Conan       | Leinster Rugby   | 1       | 19      |
| 3    | Robbie Henshaw   | Leinster Rugby   | 1       | 19      |
| 6    | Antonie Claassen | Racing 92        | 1       | 18      |
| 6    | Ben Morgan       | Gloucester Rugby | 1       | 18      |
| 6    | CJ Stander       | Munster Rugby    | 1       | 18      |
| 9    | Dave Ewers       | Exeter Chiefs    | 1       | 16      |
| 9    | Matt Fagerson    | Glasgow Warriors | 1       | 16      |
| 9    | Matt Kvesic      | Exeter Chiefs    | 1       | 16      |
| 9    | Rhys Priestland  | Bath Rugby       | 1       | 16      |
| 9    | Rhys Ruddock     | Leinster Rugby   | 1       | 16      |
| 9    | Tadhg Beirne     | Munster Rugby    | 1       | 16      |
|      |                  |                  |         |         |

### Metres

| Rank |                   |                  | Matches | Metres |
|------|-------------------|------------------|---------|--------|
| 1    | James Lowe        | Leinster Rugby   | 1       | 184    |
| 2    | Jordan Olowofela  | Leicester Tigers | 1       | 131    |
| 3    | Blair Kinghorn    | Edinburgh Rugby  | 1       | 115    |
| 4    | Jason Woodward    | Gloucester Rugby | 1       | 108    |
| 5    | Gareth Anscombe   | Cardiff Blues    | 1       | 104    |
| 6    | Semesa Rokoduguni | Bath Rugby       | 1       | 103    |
| 7    | Michael Lowry     | Ulster Rugby     | 1       | 96     |
| 8    | Robbie Henshaw    | Leinster Rugby   | 1       | 85     |
| 9    | Sean Maitland     | Saracens         | 1       | 80     |
| 10   | Ben Volavola      | Racing 92        | 1       | 77     |
| 10   | Finn Russell      | Racing 92        | 1       | 77     |

### Breaks

| Rank |                 |                | Matches | Breaks |
|------|-----------------|----------------|---------|--------|
| 1    | Tomos Williams  | Cardiff Blues  | 1       | 5      |
| 2    | James Lowe      | Leinster Rugby | 1       | 4      |
| 3    | Cheslin Kolbe   | Toulouse       | 1       | 3      |
| 3    | Henry Slade     | Exeter Chiefs  | 1       | 3      |
| 3    | Willis Halaholo | Cardiff Blues  | 1       | 3      |
| 6    | 26 Players      | -              | -       | 2      |





# Defenders Beaten

| Rank |                   |                  | Matches | Defenders Beaten |
|------|-------------------|------------------|---------|------------------|
| 1    | Cheslin Kolbe     | Toulouse         | 1       | 8                |
| 1    | James Lowe        | Leinster Rugby   | 1       | 8                |
| 3    | Ben Morgan        | Gloucester Rugby | 1       | 6                |
| 3    | David Strettle    | Saracens         | 1       | 6                |
| 3    | Jake Polledri     | Gloucester Rugby | 1       | 6                |
| 3    | Matt Fagerson     | Glasgow Warriors | 1       | 6                |
| 3    | Vincent Martin    | Montpellier      | 1       | 6                |
| 8    | Alex Goode        | Saracens         | 1       | 5                |
| 8    | Gareth Anscombe   | Cardiff Blues    | 1       | 5                |
| 8    | Henry Slade       | Exeter Chiefs    | 1       | 5                |
| 8    | Jacob Stockdale   | Ulster Rugby     | 1       | 5                |
| 8    | Jaco van der Walt | Edinburgh Rugby  | 1       | 5                |
| 8    | Michael Lowry     | Ulster Rugby     | 1       | 5                |
| 8    | Tomos Williams    | Cardiff Blues    | 1       | 5                |
|      |                   |                  |         |                  |

# Offloads

| Rank |                  |                   | Matches | Offloads |
|------|------------------|-------------------|---------|----------|
| 1    | Finn Russell     | Racing 92         | 1       | 4        |
| 1    | Joe Tekori       | Toulouse          | 1       | 4        |
| 1    | Maxime Médard    | Toulouse          | 1       | 4        |
| 1    | Sofiane Guitoune | Toulouse          | 1       | 4        |
| 1    | Vincent Martin   | Montpellier       | 1       | 4        |
| 6    | Garry Ringrose   | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 3        |
| 6    | Niall Scannell   | Munster Rugby     | 1       | 3        |
| 6    | Noa Nakaitaci    | Lyon              | 1       | 3        |
| 6    | Phil Dollman     | Exeter Chiefs     | 1       | 3        |
| 10   | Antoine Dupont   | Toulouse          | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Ben Morgan       | Gloucester Rugby  | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Benjamin Fall    | Montpellier       | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Carl Fearns      | Lyon              | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Don Armand       | Exeter Chiefs     | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Dougie Fife      | Edinburgh Rugby   | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Felix Lambey     | Lyon              | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Jason Harries    | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Joel Hodgson     | Newcastle Falcons | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Julian Savea     | RC Toulon         | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Micky Young      | Newcastle Falcons | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Paea Fa'anunu    | Castres Olympique | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Rey Lee-Lo       | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Robbie Henshaw   | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Thomas Ramos     | Toulouse          | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Tomos Williams   | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Viliame Mata     | Edinburgh Rugby   | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Willie Le Roux   | Wasps             | 1       | 2        |
| 10   | Xavier Mignot    | Lyon              | 1       | 2        |





# Tackles

| Rank |                             |                   | Matches | Tackles | Missed Tackles |
|------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|----------------|
| 1    | Tommy Taylor                | Wasps             | 1       | 26      | 2              |
| 2    | Matt Kvesic                 | Exeter Chiefs     | 1       | 25      | 0              |
| 3    | Louis Picamoles             | Montpellier       | 1       | 23      | 2              |
| 3    | Will Rowlands               | Wasps             | 1       | 23      | 0              |
| 5    | Jonny Gray                  | Glasgow Warriors  | 1       | 22      | 0              |
| 6    | Baptiste Delaporte          | Castres Olympique | 1       | 21      | 0              |
| 7    | Dave Ewers                  | Exeter Chiefs     | 1       | 20      | 3              |
| 7    | Paul Willemse               | Montpellier       | 1       | 20      | 1              |
| 9    | Fulgence Ouedraogo          | Montpellier       | 1       | 19      | 1              |
| 9    | Nicolaas Janse van Rensburg | Montpellier       | 1       | 19      | 3              |
| 9    | Thomas Young                | Wasps             | 1       | 19      | 2              |

# Lineouts

| Rank |                             |                   | Matches | Lineouts Won (inc. steals) | Lineout Steals |
|------|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------|----------------------------|----------------|
| 1    | Glen Young                  | Newcastle Falcons | 1       | 10                         | 1              |
| 2    | Gerbrandt Grobler           | Gloucester Rugby  | 1       | 8                          | 1              |
| 3    | Don Armand                  | Exeter Chiefs     | 1       | 7                          | 3              |
| 3    | James Ryan                  | Leinster Rugby    | 1       | 7                          | 1              |
| 3    | Jonny Gray                  | Glasgow Warriors  | 1       | 7                          | 0              |
| 3    | Julien Puricelli            | Lyon              | 1       | 7                          | 1              |
| 3    | Nicolaas Janse van Rensburg | Montpellier       | 1       | 7                          | 0              |
| 8    | Baptiste Chouzenoux         | Racing 92         | 1       | 6                          | 1              |
| 8    | Christophe Samson           | Castres Olympique | 1       | 6                          | 1              |
| 8    | lain Henderson              | Ulster Rugby      | 1       | 6                          | 0              |
| 8    | Michael Rhodes              | Saracens          | 1       | 6                          | 0              |
| 8    | Raphael Lakafia             | RC Toulon         | 1       | 6                          | 0              |
| 8    | Tadhg Beirne                | Munster Rugby     | 1       | 6                          | 2              |

# Turnovers

| Rank |                   |                   | Matches | Turnovers |
|------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------|
| 1    | Thomas Young      | Wasps             | 1       | 5         |
| 2    | Francois Louw     | Bath Rugby        | 1       | 4         |
| 3    | Alex Tulou        | Castres Olympique | 1       | 3         |
| 3    | Dillon Lewis      | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 3         |
| 3    | Fraser Brown      | Glasgow Warriors  | 1       | 3         |
| 3    | George Kruis      | Saracens          | 1       | 3         |
| 3    | Tadhg Beirne      | Munster Rugby     | 1       | 3         |
| 8    | Brad Barritt      | Saracens          | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Guy Thompson      | Leicester Tigers  | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Hendrik Roodt     | Lyon              | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Jarrod Evans      | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Jody Jenneker     | Castres Olympique | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Ken Owens         | Scarlets          | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Luke Cowan-Dickie | Exeter Chiefs     | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Marcell Coetzee   | Ulster Rugby      | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Olly Robinson     | Cardiff Blues     | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Paul Willemse     | Montpellier       | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Peter O'Mahony    | Munster Rugby     | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Sean Maitland     | Saracens          | 1       | 2         |
| 8    | Zach Mercer       | Bath Rugby        | 1       | 2         |





# Disciplinary Update

#### Yellow Cards

#### Bath Rugby

• Tom Ellis (52) v Toulouse Rd 1

#### Leicester Tigers

• George Ford (21) v Ulster Rugby Rd 1

#### Montpellier

• Bismarck Du Plessis (47) v Edinburgh Rugby Rd 1

#### Newcastle Falcons

Joel Hodgson (54) v RC Toulon Rd 1

#### **RC Toulon**

- Jean-Baptiste Gros (31) v Newcastle Falcons Rd 1
- Daniel Ikpefan (50) v Newcastle Falcons Rd 1
- Julian Savea (67) v Newcastle Falcons Rd 1

#### Scarlets

Gareth Davies (76) v Racing 92 Rd 1

#### Toulouse

Jerome Kaino (38) v Bath Rugby Rd 1

#### Wasps

Lima Sopoaga (40) v Leinster Rugby Rd 1

### Citings

#### Lyon

Manuel Carizza – Cardiff Blues Rd 1

#### Saracens

Alex Lozowski - Glasgow Warriors Rd 1

#### Toulouse

Jerome Kaino – Bath Rugby Rd 1 Lucas Pointud – Bath Rugby Rd 1

